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NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS: YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

As part of our commitment to providing a quality education to every student, the Arkansas School for the Deaf (ASD) wants to ensure that you are aware of your rights under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Since ASD receives Title I funding, we want you to know that you have the right to request important information about the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teachers, including:

1. **Certification Status:** Whether the teacher has met state certification requirements for the grade levels and subject areas they teach.
2. **Emergency or Provisional Credentials:** Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status that waives state qualifications.
3. **Educational Background:** Information about the teacher's college major and any advanced degrees.
4. **Paraprofessional Support:** If paraprofessionals are providing services to your child, you have the right to know about their qualifications as well.

In addition, if your child is taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet the state's certification requirements, you will be promptly informed.

For more details, refer to ESEA § 1112(e)(1)(A). If you need further information or have any questions, please contact your building administrator.

Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in your child's education.